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FM AMEMBASSY KUWAIT

TO AMEMBASSY DAMASCUS

INFO SECSTATE WASHDC 0913

USIA WASHDC

AMEMBASSY AMMAN

AMEMBASSY BEIRUT

AMEMBASSY CAIRO

AMEMBASSY JIDDA

AMEMBASSY TEL AVIV

C O N F I D E N T I A L KUWAIT 3942

USIA FOR INA AND IOA/SS (BORK)

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINS, ASAF, ASEC, SY

SUBJECT: BOMBING OF BUILDING UNDER CONSIDERATION FOR USE BY  
USIS

1. SENIOR RADIO KUWAIT OFFICIAL, AFTER DOUBLE CHECKING WITH NEWS  
DEPARTMENT, CATEGORICALLY STATES STATION NEVER CARRIED ITEM ON  
BOMBING OF FUTURE USIS DAMASCUS QUARTERS. HOWEVER, RK MONITORING  
SERVICE PICKED UP TWO AFP ARABIC ITEMS SEPTEMBER 15 ON SUBJECT:  
(A) ITEM NO. 6 IN MORNING THAT CARRIED REPORT FROM BEIRUT DAILY,  
AS SAFIR, WHICH STATED BOMBING OF USIS CARRIED OUT BY ARAB COMMUNIST  
ORGANIZATION (AL MUNAZAMEH ASH SHYU'TYEH AL ARABI) WHICH ALSO  
CLAIMED RESPONSIBILITY FOR BOMBING U.S. PAVILION IN DAMASCUS  
AND AMERICAN INSURANCE CO. OFFICE IN SIDON; AND, (B) ITEM NO.  
16 IN AFTERNOON WHICH REPORTED SYRIAN DENIAL FROM DAMASCUS THAT  
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THERE WAS USIS BUILDING. STORY ADDED EXPLOSION DID TAKE PLACE

IN AIR CONDITIONING UNIT OF UNOCCUPIED BUILDING AND POINTED OUT THAT THIS BUILDING HAD PREVIOUSLY BEEN OCCUPIED BY OFFICES OF IRAQI EMBASSY.

2. DAILY AL WATAN CARRIED AS SAFIR SOURCED STORY SEPTEMBER 16, BUT GAVE REUTERS ATTRIBUTION. TO OUT KNOWLEDGE REUTERS DID NOT RUN ITEM. IN PAST LOCAL PAPERS HAVE OCCASIONALLY USED FALSE ATTRIBUTION TO COVER REAL SOURCE AND PRESUMABLY THIS HAPPENED HERE.

3. KUWAIT RADIO OFFICIALS ADDED THAT AS SAFIR KNOWN TO BE LIBYAN FINANCED.  
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